particular recommendation was made by the Revenue Commissioner, I want to know how the member got that information? Moreover it is not right on the part of the member to ask such questions.

Mr. V. S. Arumukham Pillai: By putting that question I merely wanted to know whether the Commissioner had recommended for remission of tax.

President: The implication of your question was entirely different. I do not want the honourable members to import personal knowledge into questions.

Mr. M. N. Paramesvaran Pillai: Are we bound to give the source of our information in regard to these matters ?

President: Inasmuch as the Government have answered that the report is confidential, when a particular member gets up and gives the contents of that, it is for the Chair to decide, how the honourable member got knowledge of the confidential report.

Mr. V. S. Arumukham Pillai: Then, may I know, what are the recommendations of the Commissioner on the basis of his report ?

Mr K. N. Kesava Pillai: The recommendations are confidential.

Mr. V. S. Arumukham Pillai: May I know whether the Government have passed an order dated the 29th May 1936 denying full remission for lands that were left fallow ?

Mr. K. N. Kesava Pillai: No.

Mr. V. S. Arumukham Pillai: May I know whether orders have been issued by the Land Revenue Department for the speedy recovery of tax in the case of lands left fallow during the Kanni crop of 1111 ?

Mr. K. N. Kesava Pillai: The Government have no information.

Mr. V, S. Arumukham Pillai: May I know whether the lands that were left fallow during 1111 Kanni crop have been advertised for sale for arrears of tax ?

Mr. K. N. Kesava Pillai: The Government have no specific information.

Use of office furniture for private purposes.

101.***Mr. M. N. Paramesvaran Pillai**: Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether they have permitted the use of furniture included in office accounts by officers in their houses for their own private purposes ; and

(*b*) whether they have ascertained if the Government officers are so using the office furniture ?

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Rao Bahadur Dr N. Kunjan Pillai: (*a*) No.

(*b*) No.

Mr. M. N. Paramesvaran Pillai: May I know whether any registers are maintained in the various offices for the list of furniture?

Rao Bahadur Dr. N. Kunjan Pillai: Yes, sir.

Mr. M. N. Paramesvaran Pillai: May I know whether those registers are checked by the Account Officer at the time of Audit every year?

Rao Bahadur Dr. N. Kunjan Pillai: Not in all offices. The register is checked with the stock in the offices which the Account Officer and his subordinates inspect.

Mr. M. N. Paramesvaran Pillai: Then may I know how the stock register of the other departments is checked?

Rao Bahadur Dr. N. Kunjan Pillai: The head of the office is responsible for the stock.

Mr. M. N. Paramesvaran Pillai: In answer to part (*b*) of the question, may I know, to what does the answer "No" refer? Is it to the latter part or to the former?

President: The answer "No" refers to the latter part.

Grant of family pensions.

102. ❋**Mr. M. N. Paramesvaran Pillai**: Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) in how many cases family pensions have been granted by them after the introduction of the Gratuity Scheme; and

(*b*) what, if any, are the special reasons for giving such pensions?

Rao Bahadur Dr. N. Kunjan Pillai: (*a*) None.

(*b*) In view of answer to part (*a*) this does not arise.

Mr. M. N. Paramesvaran Pillai: May I know whether any personal pensions are granted by Government?

Rao Bahadur Dr. N. Kunjan Pillai: The honourable member's question was about the grant of family pensions. Therefore the question of personal pension does not arise. I hope the honourable member is aware of the gratuity scheme that is in force now.

Mr. M. N. Paramesvaran Pillai: May I know whether any individual pension is granted?

Rao Bahadur Dr. N. Kunjan Pillai: Some compassionate allowance might have been granted and I do not think it can be called a pension.

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